

Remarks

Applicant submits the present response to the requirement for restriction dated June 27, 2007. In the Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of two purportedly patentably distinct inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121: Group I covering claims 1-10 (directed to a method for repelling animals) or Group II covering claims 11-17 (directed to an apparatus for repelling animals).

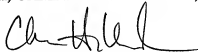
Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group I, which includes claims 1-10, and cancels claims 11-17 from the present application without prejudice. In addition, Applicant has amended the application to add new claims 18-27, which are also directed to a method for repelling animals, which is the subject of Group I.

In addition, the Examiner requested that the Applicant elect one of two species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, and identified two species to choose from: species of taste of substance and species of scent. In response, Applicant provisionally elects those claims that correspond to the species of scent, which Applicant believes to include at least claims 1-3, 5-10, 18-25, and 27-28.

Applicant submits that the application is in condition for review by the Examiner, thus examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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